

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: : **PATENT APPLICATION**
Stephen Moreton. : Silica-Based Indicating Desiccants
Serial No.: 10/549,670 : Group Art Unit: 1797
Filed: July 3, 2006 : Confirmation No. 3701
: Examiner: B. Kilpatrick

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed on April 1, 2009, and having a shortened statutory period for reply expiring on July 1, 2009. That deadline is extended to September 1, 2009, with the filing of a petition and fee for extension of time of two months. If a further extension and/or payment is needed to make this response timely, the Examiner is asked to grant the extension and/or pay the fee using deposit account number 02-4800, in the name of Buchanan Ingersoll PC.

Reconsideration and allowance of the amended and pending claims are requested.

The amendments to the claims are presented in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2.

The Remarks begin on page 8.